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TO: All Child Care and Preschool Facility Administrators

All Head Start Facility Administrators

All Special Education and Early Childhood Program Administrators

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Division of Environmental Health and Communicable Disease Prevention

SUBJECT: Child Care Immunization Status Report

Missouri State Law, Section 210.003, RSMo, requires **all** children (including any related to the child care provider) attending public, private, parochial day care centers, preschools or nursery schools caring for 10 or more children to be adequately immunized, in the process of being immunized, or to have a parental or medical exemption card on file.

The law also requires <u>all facility operators to submit an annual summary report</u> providing information on the immunization status of attendees. The 2005 Child Care Immunization Status Report is to be completed and submitted to the Section for Communicable Disease Prevention by **January 15, 2005.** Please keep a photocopy of the completed report for your records.

Your local Child Care Health Consultant Nurse or Regional Immunization Representative (see enclosures) are available to assist you in understanding the immunization requirements or in completing the report. If you need additional information, please contact the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services at 573-751-6439 or toll free 866-628-9891.

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